ORDER NUMBER: 531 DATE: March 14, 1977

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

In the Matter of Application No. 76-2 of the NORTHERN TIER PIPELINE COMPANY A MONTANA CORPORATION

ORDER RESCINDING CONTINGENT APPOINTMENT OF HEARING EXAMINER

On January 10, 1977 the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council designated Mr. William A. Harrison as Hearing Examiner for matters related to the above-entitled proceeding. The effective date of appointment was to be concurrent with the effective date of an agreement between the Forest Practices Appeals Board and the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council authorizing the performance of service and compensation therefore of Mr. Harrison.

Subsequently, the Forest Practices Appeals Board has written the Washington State Legislature raising the question, in consideration of the fact that the Board has no current workload, whether the funding and staffing responsibilities for the agency should be assigned to another agency.

This factor has caused the Council to be without an assurance of Hearing Examiner services for the duration of the Northern Tier Application while retarding attempts to obtain such service from alternative sources.

ORDER

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that Council Order No. 522, adopted January 10, 1977, contingently appointing Mr. William A. Harrison as Hearing Examiner for Application No. 76-2, is hereby rescinded.

Dated at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 14th day of March 1977.

WASHINGTON STATE ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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